## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA

**UNITED STATES** 

.

V.

: Case No. 16-CR-0067 (HEH)

MAX ALBERTO ESTRADA LINARES

Defendant

DEFENDANT'S POSITION IN AID OF SENTENCING

### EXHIBIT 1

# DEFENDANT MAX ESTRADA LINARES' LETTER TO THE COURT IN AID OF SENTENCING

#### October 18 2018

#### Dear Honorable Jude Hudson

I am writing this letter to explain the circumstances of my being here for sentencing. I want your honor to know that I pled guilty in this case because I was guilty. The government's evidence against me is the truth and I want to admit my complete guilt before your honor.

I imagine that almost everyone before your honor for his sentence explains how sorry he is for what he has done. I am sorry also and I am trying to say more than just words. Since before I arrived in the US I directed my attorney to tell the government that I would plead guilty to see if there was anything before I arrive.

I believe that my lawyer has explained to you that I permitted the DEA to search my computer and phones and then I gave them a USB with other important information.

Judge Hudson I am here in the United States and my family, which is my wife and four daughters are still in Guatemala, I am scared for them and their safety and I know it is my fault that there are threats against them. I am worried about my daughters all the time and miss them with all my heart and I have guilt because it is my errors that have made them unsafe. As your honor may know, people in the drug trafficking business take advantage of situations like this, and I am not there to protect them.

I want to write my appreciation for the prosecutor and agents in my case. They have been always honest with me and I have given then the same in return. I know from talking to my lawyer that are complicated my rules about sentencing in the United States. When I pled guilty before your honor I agreed with the government about what I had done.

I am asking the court to consider giving me the lowest sentence possible in my guidelines. Even with that small mercy, it will still be many years before I return back to my wife and children. I need to say that I am sorry to the people of the United States. Being in jail here has opened my eyes to the problems that I caused. I am a religious man and I take an oath before God that I would never, ever be involved in drug trafficking again. When I return to my country I will wash floors, clean dishes, and bathrooms, or any real job I can find to support family and myself.

#### MAX ALBERTO ESTRADA LINARES

October 9, 2018 Estimado Honorable Juez Hudson Escriber esta carta explicando los circumstancias de estar yo aca presente para mi sentencia. Quiero que su señoria sepa que me declare culpable en este caso parque era culpable. La evidencia del gobierno en mi contra es la verded y quiero admitir mi culpe ante su Sphoria. Me imaginor que casi todo el munder en su sentencia le explica a su señoria cual. arrepentido esta por lo que ha hecho. Tambien 10 estoy y por eso estoy trotando de decir mos que palabras. Desde antes que llegara a los Estados unidos le direccione a mi abogado que le disera al gobierno que me doctargria colpoble porq tambin si habiq algo que pudiera hacer antes de que llegara. creo que mi abogado le ha explicado que permiti' que la DEA revisara mi pc y telepon 4 luego les dionos una memoria us o con Otra información importante.

Juez Hudson, estoy acq en us y mi

Familia la cual es mi esposa y 4 hija's estan

todavia en suatemala, estoy asustado pos

su seguridad y estoy conciente que esmi

culta que hayan amenazas encontra de ellas

Me preocupan mis hijas todo el tiempo y las

extraño de todo corazon y tengo culta

porque por mis errores los he presto en

posicion de inseguridad como su señoria

dobe saber, la gente en el narcotvafica

toman ventaja de estas situacionos y no

estoy alli pora protegerlas

oviero escribir mi agradecimiento por el escal y agentos do mi caso. Siempre han sido honestos y yo isual a cambio. Al hoblar con mi abogado se que hay regles complicados en usa, evando me declare culpable ante su senoria acorde con mi gobierno sobre mis acciones.

Le pider a la corte que considere darmo la sentencia mas baja en mis guias incluse con esta pequena clemencia van a ser mucho años antes de que regrese a mi esposa e hijos. Tengo que decir que lo siento mucho y perdon a la gente de USA. Estar preso me ha abierto los ejos a los problemos me ha abierto los ejos a los problemos que he causado. soy un hombre religioso que he causado. soy un hombre religioso y juro ante dios que nunca pero nunca mes voy a estar en el norcotrafico otra Vez. Cuando regrese a mi pais lavare pisos, platos, baños o cualquier otro trabajo real que encuentre para mantonerme y a m) familia.

Max Alberto Estrada Linary